NEWS OF THE SHIPPING

Fruit Steamer Disabled And Four Schooners Ashore In Bay.

THE ICEBOAT AT CHESTERTOWN

Three Steamers Report Storm Violence — Only One Fruiter This Week From Jamaica.

The Norwegian steamer Brighton, Captain Kaldager, from Port Maria with bananas for Lanasa & Goffe, of this port, has put into Kingston, Jamaica, with circulating pump out of order. She was surveyed and recommended to make repairs before proceeding. The Brighton sailed from Port Maria last Wednesday for Baltimore.

Ice Conditions In Chesapeake.

After a hard fight with the ice in both the Delaware and Chesapeake ends of the Chesapeake and Delaware canal, the steamers Lord Baltimore and Ericsson arrived yesterday from Philadelphia. The Lord Baltimore is being used this season by the company as an icebreaker for the larger boats which have not the power of that steamer and the Penn.

At 10.30 A. M. the iceboat Annapolis left for Chester river with the steamer Gratitude following for Chestertown. Captain Gray found little ice until approaching the mouth of the Chester river, and when 10 miles below Chestertown it became heavy, but the port was reached and the Gratitude delivered there.

Today the Annapolis will leave Chestertown and run into the bay to give any assistance needed. To look after the river and channel the Latrobe, Captain Gunby, will go out this morning and patrol between Seven Foot Knoll and Sandy Point to assist any craft needing attention. If the ice is not troublesome and does not threaten to become so by the prevailing wind and tide, the Latrobe will return to port. The Annapolis will be harborwardbound if ice conditions are not bad.

At Cove Point yesterday it was clear, cold and calm, and at Cape Henry the weather was clear with a northeast wind of about 10 miles velocity.

Steamers Burned Up Coal Supply.

Three steamers which have had a severe time crossing the North Atlantic came into port yesterday. The Hamburg-American Line steamer Pallanza left Hamburg December 17. Captain Niss reported that he fought gales all the way across with very little intermission. When a little east of the George's the ship ran into a blizzard, during which the vessel was coated with tons of ice.

Captain Berry, of the British steamer Tantallon, from Carthagena, December 1, reported having met with such weather after leaving Gibraltar that his coal supply threatened to become exhausted. To replenish he put into Bermuda on December 30. After lying there two days coal was procured and the ship resumed her trip on January 2.

Captain Jones, of the British steamer Chiverstone, from Almeria, December 8, while experiencing the same weather reported by the Tantallon, managed to reach inside the Chesapeake Thursday. He reached Norfolk, where enough coal was taken on board to get to Baltimore. Beginning with December 14, Captain Jones said he had nine solid days of fierce westerly gales.

Schooners Ashore In Chesapeake.

The schooner H. L. James, Captain Thomas, from Norfolk with lumber for Baltimore, was seen ashore Friday morning on Gough's bar, outside of the Great Wicomico river. The revenue cutter Apache had a line to the vessel, but was not pulling, evidently awaiting high water.

The schooners Maggie, Charles H. Richardson and Hattie Wheatley, all lumberladen, were reported as being ashore yesterday on Tolley Point, entrance to Annapolis harbor. The tug Rescue was alongside to assist them. The schooners are bound to this port with lumber cargoes.

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